

Bloomington Municipal Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 3, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:03p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Members Present

Adrian McDaniel Lynda Gonzalez Jacqueline Cox Betty Gosney

Council Members Absent

Eric Scott Gregory Ware

Minutes

Council Member Lynda Gonzalez motioned to approve the minutes and Council Member Jacqueline Cox seconded the motion. All were in favor and the October minutes were approved.

Old Business

Proposed General Plan Amendment & Tentative Parcel Map (continued from Oct 6, 2009)

Jim Squire- County Land Use Services Dept., Advanced Planning provided a layout of the original proposal of the project area. He stated that the proposed zone change would be consistent with the Community Plan. The proposal would allow but not obligate the remaining residents who currently have 1 acre lots or bigger to be able to subdivide to ½ acre lots. The property owners within the proposed project area were notified and invited to attend the MAC meeting to voice their opinions and concerns. None were present. Mr. Squire also mentioned that the residents will have other opportunities to voice their opinions to the Planning Dept. and the Planning Commission.

Several residents had questions about unrelated issues and Mr. Squire encouraged them to contact him to discuss them further and provided his contact information.

Mr. McDaniel stated that the MAC does not supersede the property owners and if they were notified and none of them expressed any concerns then they should allow Mr. Tedrow to move forward with his proposed project. Council Member Cox also expressed the Charlie had been waiting for a long time and has expended financial resources so she feels that he should be allowed to proceed. The remaining MAC members were in consensus that Mr. Tedrow be allowed to proceed with the application to change the zoning of his property. The also indicated that they were not opposed to the greater zone change but would like the residents to have opportunities to provide their input. Dan Flores said that he will provide regular updates to the MAC on the progress.

New Business

County Community Development & Housing (CDH) – Community Needs Identification Forum

Ms. Kamarani presented the plan for compiling information for CDH's community needs assessment project. The assessment will be used to help the County identify areas of concern for residents and potential ways to implement programs to meet those needs. CDH administers the County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The identified several projects in Bloomington that have received CDBG funding including literacy programs at the library, ADA accessibility projects at the park, and the Kessler skate park. They have hired outside consultants to consolidate plans throughout the county. The consultant brought a presentation which outlines what the needs are and gives a 5 year plan. They have home ownership programs and they are also concerned with providing child care and job training.

Bloomington Little League

Kelly Buell of the Bloomington Little League reported that they need help. She stated that they have to pay for electricity and uniforms for 600 kids. The league is responsible for paying the electric utility at the park and over the past year they have received several rate increases that have increased the monthly bill. They are behind and currently have payment plans through Edison but are having difficulty keeping up with the costs.. She stated that they only charge \$30 per child and about ½ of them don't pay. They cannot turn any child away and this is why they are asking everyone who can help to please help them.

Staff Reports

A. CHP- Officer Hope Maxson

Officer Maxson had no report. She stated that her back up will be present at the next meeting.

B. Field Representative – Dan Flores

Mr. Flores reported that at the Dec. MAC meeting there will be a presentation on the Riverside Ave./I-10 interchange project and bridge closure. He encouraged all residents to attend and learn about the project timeline and related improvement projects to relieve traffic issues.

C. Sheriff's Department – Sergeant Dan Finneran

Sgt. Finneran reported that they are still actively working on the massage parlors and illegal vendors. He hopes to bring a good report to the next meeting. The only thing he had to report was that there has been an increase in car robberies.

D. Special Districts- Tim Millington

Mr. Millington reported that all the parts for the water fountain had been ordered and they are also going to replace the valves. They will have it repaired before the Christmas Parade. He also reported that they have a tenant for the fire station.

Items for upcoming meetings

Council Member Lynda Gonzales asked for someone from general planning to attend in the next couple of months and give an update. Council Member Adrian McDaniel stated that maybe the other non-profit organizations can get together with Bloomington Little League and share helpful information that might be able to help them.

Member Reports

Vice Chair Betty Gosney thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She stated that they have to end the meeting but that it is important for people to share any ideas they might have to help the Bloomington Little League. Finally she wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Lynda Gonzales thanked everyone for attending the meeting and reminded everyone to invite neighbors and friends to attend future meetings.

Council Member Jacqueline Cox said she hoped everyone went out to vote. She also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Adrian McDaniel suggested that the other local non-profit agencies share information that could possibly assist the Bloomington Little League. He also said that more residents need to attend the MAC meetings so that when problems come up they can address it immediately.

Public Comments

Kayos Kidz reported that they appointed Edgardo Navarro as the junior representative for the organization. He is a senior at Bloomington High School and he will be appointed at the next meeting.

Dave Jayne invited everyone in attendance to go and look at J&R. He stated that he had a tour and it is very impressive. She also said that everyone should support the parade. Next, he stated that there is a lot of trash on the streets and people are dumping everyday and he suggested they have a clean-up.

Eric Davenport said he wanted to remind everyone about being prepared for an earthquake. He said it is important to waterproof your clothing. He suggested a website called campwar.com that has everything necessary. Finally he reported that the BIC is organizing a protest at the golf course for the proposal to turn a 2 million sq. ft. He will provide the date at next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 PM. The next MAC meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

Submitted by Aurora Hernandez, MAC Secretary: (909) 387-3064